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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicants:** Yasuko FUKUZAWA et al.

**Serial No.:** 10/663,662

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**For:** **HETEROGENEOUS COMPUTER SYSTEM, HETEROGENEOUS  
INPUT/OUTPUT SYSTEM AND DATA BACKUP METHOD FOR  
THE SYSTEMS**

**Group:** 2182

**Examiner:** Tanh Q. Nguyen

**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**October 15, 2004**

**Sir:**

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 20040604) dated on June 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.